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#### WHEN I WAS A BOY.

Twas a wonderful thing, the river I knew

To nowhere it sleamed, yet the castles I

Pd find her tracks down by the river, and

For somehow there's left where the dreams disagreer
A ghost of a dream in their place.
That beckens me on with a voice of good

And a smile on its ghost of a face.
Which says you're a boy—
But a boy.

when I was a box-

# The Blue House Lock

THE Bie of Doreas Heaven, who ler post is more or less of a sinecure, for but few barges pass along that bit of the canal. Indeed, the canal itself, bit of country in the neighborhood, is

er on a form some two miles off. Will practice in Prince Edward and ad- much traffle, but when a barge does Sunday mornings; though had he been dian summer of exceptional beauty. They change the weather and pass the time of day," their destination and their afternoon. Henceforth she gave herbusiness are exhaustively discussed, self up to the study of natural history and when at length stillness settles and the worship of her dear "little gensown over the Blue House, when there | tleman" with a light heart. is no sound but the cry of a pecwit or the rustle of a water rat in the rushes. "of a fine Sunday," and Doreas would Dorens feathes a chair into the door- spend many hours of the following way and links upon it, exclaiming: week valuely trying to determine wheth-

On Sunday mornings Doreas does not he was so proud. One never to be last visit. go to church, for "Elijah do like a bit or ment of a Sunday," and Doreas is a torrents just as her sultan and his spring, and Doreas began to read aloud good wife first and a good church- grand vizier reached the Blue house. commun second. She therefore defers | They took shelter with Doreas, and the her attendance until evening, when sultan was graciously pleased to be lilligh accompanies her. While the bit lifted up that he might reach a cer- the kind Gloucestershire voice, when or must is in course of preparation he tain mug from the top shelf of the suddenly, above the triumphant voices strolls round for "a bit of a talk" with dresser-a mug which had belonged to of birds, above the soft wash of the waone "Ethni Harmon, licensed to sell ""im as were gone." Doreas made ter among the yellowing reeds, rang beer and tobacco," whose bouse of cheer gingerbread cats and ducks, and her that clear sound for which the soul of lies on the outskirts of the town, and artistic efforts went so far as to at- Dorcas had hungered se cruelly. where the very latest electioneering tempt a king "with a crown upon is news is to be had. Elijah has been can." After regaling himself with heard to express an opinion to the ef- these delicacies her sultan would hold feet that "there ain't no arm in going up a rosy face, ornamented by sundry had not been so greatly to blame after to church twice for them as it suits, sticky streaks, to be kissed in fare- all. He had been suddenly called away but once, along of my missus, be enough round the bend of the canal her eyes to the north of Scotland, and although he had left directions that before the That it been in Elijah's nature to be

astoni hed at anything, he would have felt so a surprise at the amiability with which Dorens had lately speeded him on his way to "The Cat and Compasses" on Sunday mornings. She had at one time been rather given to inconveniently suggesting "that them pers want sticking, and the salery be ready for banking," when Elijah would thin have been sunning himself upon the bench outpide Ethni Harman's bospliable door, a mag of eider and a like-minded friend beside him. He usually fell in with his wife's suggestions, for was apt to carry on her domestic duties with unnecessary vigor far into the

nornings had become for Doreas the cornerstone or her week, and in this wher It did not, as a rule, take long to get Elljah's dianer under way; this one, Dorens would take her chair into the decreasy and read her Rible. She The weather changed, and there came generally chose the Book of Revelation. a lovely Sunday. Elijah set off to the the doorway and read her Bible. She lips and following each with gnarled and workwarn forchinger. With Dor-expectation and went and stood on the

tacle, and, although Doreas could not pronounce, far less understand, many On Monday Doreas could bear it no Nonchalance of a New Orleans Tramp mining hold, tear where the of the words she met with, there was a pronounce, far less understand, many

Wagner himself. "And now a little wind and shy," the path, and the Sunday silence was broken by a clear child voice. To Dorcas such sound was as the at newbors for beauty were famed; skirl of the pipes to a Highlander ghts in bright arcoar had many a in a far country; her heart beat makin Hood robbers and robbers un. quick and her cheeks grew redder, and she rushed out to see who "was a-coming;" for Doreas had "put away four" in the "cemetrary" on the Fletborough And down where the alders grew by the road, and one had lived to be four years old. Besides, to let anyone pass the Blue House without "givin' of 'em us is my face.

Then where and dance, and squirm like good day!" was a thing she had never done—"not once in 20 years." So she laid her Bible on the chair, covering it with a clean white handkerchief, and crossed the few feet of garden which lay between her cottage and the towing

A sturdy little boy, in reefer coat and muffin cap, with round, fresh little face, and cheeks pink as the petals of the apple blossom nearest the calyx, danced with excitement on the bank as he watched his father gathering some yellow "flags" which grew at the water's and such were always a secondary consideration with Doreas-was not very will practice in the Courts of Prince Ed. But days have sped since then and the successful, as the ground was soft and

"It is wet down there, dad? Can I For like these old 'smas that often it seems there! Won't muth be pleased? What dirty boots you'll have! Shall I hold your stick for you to cling on to?"

Then he noticed Doreas. "Good "Isn't it a fine May morning?"

"It be that surely, little master!" anso far before, that the "scroped out old quarry" just beyond the Blue House They had was his destination, and that he would probably come again next Sunday.

He came every Sunday morning all for fossils in the disused quarry, some-

ment and the triumph with them. ome Doreas "bustles her about sharp- in church he certainly could have been "The spirit of October, mild and boon,

Even in winter he sometimes came "Law! what a paladum it have been, er she admired him most in a sailor suit or in the breeches and gaiters of which name of the Lard."

to Elljah, and the residence of Ethni the fact that it was but a stone's throw catch in her voice; "and I were that from that of her sultan.

It was a wet summer, and there came Vainly did Doreas try to fix her mind plates, and the gorgeous mug: "A Pres- lady, dad?" ent from Fairford," was put back on the

top shelf of the dresser again. "Cat and Compasses" as usual; Doreas ems, as with many people whose lives are somewhat bard and monotones, the prospect of a suite of rooms in one of the many mansions was extremely pleasant. Moreover, the Cotteswold

peasant dearly loves any form of spec- the purple scablous growing atop the

longer. "I be that tewey and narvous. sense of pageant all around her as she I don't know what I be about," she reread; while her appreciation of the city | marked, as she locked the door of the which has "no need of the sun, neither | Blue house and hid the key under the of the moon to shine in it," was as pure- mat. Should a barge come-well, it ly sensuous as that of any disciple of must manage somehow! Barges were never in a hurry. She had come to a momentous decision. She was going scattered the apple blossoms over to inquire after "her little gentleman." Whether he was ill or gone for a holiday, or was merely forgetful, she would find out and end this dreadful suspense. She was a very simple-minded woman, but in her heart of hearts she felt a little sore with the grand vizier, for she had a notion that he was by no

> means ignorant of what these Sunday visits meant to her. "I believe 'e'd 'ave come afore this if 'e'd 'a' been let. 'A be that meek 'earted 'a wouldn't 'urt a vloi, let alone a 'oman," she said to herself with a half sob. She was convinced that her sultan could not forget so utterly the humblest of his slaves. So she put on her best clothes and tight elastic sided boots, with lots of little white but-

tons adorning the fronts. At the Blue house, Dorcas was never either self-conscious or shy; but when she reached her sultan's palace, having timidly pushed open the drive gate, she became aware that the new boots creaked horribly, and that perspiration was dropping from her eyebrows into her eyes. Having mopped her face, edge. The attendant father-parents and generally pulled herself together, she managed to reach the front door, though her knees trembled and her heart fluttered like a caged bird.

Never was such a noisy bell! It clanged and echoed in most alarming come? Oh, get that big one just over fashion; she wished that the stone steps would open and swallow her up What would they think of her for daring to make such a clatter? Besidesand at the dreadful thought she nearly morning!" said he, with gay courtesy. cried out-of course she ought to have gone to the back door.

For full five minutes she stood on the swered Dorcas, in high delight. Then steps, listening to any sound inside "the little gentleman's dada"—he never the house, but all was perfectly quiet. achieved a separate identity in the mind | She turned and went into the drive, of Dorcas-scrambled up from the meaning to go round to the back door, swamp in which he had been standing. | when it occurred to her to look back at He too, proved most approachable, and the house; she had been far too nervous she learned that the youthful potentate to do so as she came in. The lower winin the reefer tacket had never walked | down were shuttered, and all the blinds

They had gone, then! and it was empty. "And they never didn't bring "im to say good-by to me."

Life's little tragedies generally hapthrough that summer, and always with pen to the lonely. What in a full and his dad. Sometimes they went tapping happy life ranks but as an episode becomes an epoch in the sad-colored days times they came with butterfly nets and of lean monotony. Dorcas wiped her caught "tortoiseshells" and "wall- eyes more than once on her way home, keeps the Blue House lock, is browns," and upon one great occasion and wept heavily for many days, Elisought or whatever they caught, Dor- tried to distract her by news from cas was always, as who should say, town and occasional suggestions that "in at the death," and shared the excite- she go over "and see sister law" in an adjacent village; but beyond her The little gentleman was very friend- necessary journeys to town to buy such After a drought it grows so shallow ly—a child is quick to recognize an admirer as any pretty woman—and it left home. She scrubbed the kitchen bow. The tramp manifested no surunderstood and induiged the childless woman's craving for a child's affection. Sometimes Dorcas felt a qualm of concau a farm some two miles off.

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Seven feet tall, with head slightly turned, and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered, and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered, and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered, and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. "He is summered, and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. "He is summered and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. "He is summered and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. "He is summered and closed his eyes." The is summered and closed his eyes. Th that cows are wont to stand derisively is possible that the attendant father table till she grudged to sully its white-As the path alongside the canal leads adored young gentleman ought not never forgot her "little gentleman." to nowhere in particular, there is not | rather to be in church these sunny | The wet season was followed by an Inand there is a great to-do. She | nowhere in the neighborhood of the | was in the air; the tottering of Cotteslooks upon herself us more or less the Riue House. But she was comforted wold wall, which laid its wayward hostess of the occupants of the barge. when she heard that he went with his length on the far side of the footway. cas no longer started hungrily down the towing path on Sunday morning, but she did not forget; and, in token of her remembrance, the twenty-first chapter of the Book of Revelation was marked in her Bible by a little woolen glove with a large hole in the thumb. Her sultan had dropped it during his

The birds sang as though it were to herself to keep her thoughts from wandering. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes," whispered

"I wonder if the lady at the Blue

After regaling himself with house will know me again, dad?" It seemed as though the grand vizier would grow dim, and she would go back sultan and the household followed to the "Book of Revelation," murmur- him that potentate was to be taken to ing to herself: "The Lard gave and the say good-by "to the lady at the Blue Lard 'ave took away. Blessed be the house," although the suitan himself had frequently suggested the propriety Of course, the many charms of the of such a pilgrimage, his nurse had al-"little gentleman" were duly reported ways considered the roads too muddy. "I thought, sir, as you was all gone Harman took a reflected glory from fur good and all," said Doreas, with a

taken to I never made no inquiries." On his way home the grand vizier four wet Sundays, one after the other. was rather silent. Once or twice he made a queer little face, and at last on the streets of jasper, while all the seemed to swallow something in his time she was straining her ears for the throat. At last he quoted, but not to sound of the little voice that never the sultan: "By heavens, it is pitiful, chimed into the stillness. She grew the bootless love of women for children to hate the patter of the rain on the in Vanity Fair." The rosy-faced child. path outside; even the fact that the who had been wondering why the usual canal, for once, was full, and three Sunday service of gingerbread had barges passed in one week, did not con- been omitted, was rather surprised, sole her. The gingerbread animals but nevertheless asked curiously: grew stale and crumbly between two "Are you thinking of the Blue house

His father stooped down hastily and kissed him.-Longman's Magazine.

Why He Couldn't Sleep.

Employer-The policeman on the beat reports that he saw somebody walking about inside this building last night. Night Watchman-Ob, that was only me. I drank some very strong coffee before coming on duty, and couldn'ter-that is-h'-yes.-Philadelphia In-

#### MAGNIFICENTLY LAZY.

Who Holds the World's Record for Ease.

At about noon, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat, a fat and healthylooking, but phenomenally tattered a well-fed, well-featured, well-dressed tramp sat furtively dozing on a bench man, was standing in the main door- The girls, women and boys of the counin Lafayette square. Leaning back luxurlously, he appeared to be bursting from every seam of his dilapidated at tire, and as he passed in and out of cat | provider in the world and insists upon naps he nodded solemnly, like a porcelain mandarin, His legs were crossed, and his suspended foot was incased in a shoe from which most of the forward



A CALM SURVEY OF THINGS.

portion of the sole was missing, exposing his bare and dirty toes from low. It was held to his foot by a string tied around his instep; in fact, he was literally "on his uppers," a circumstance which evidently bothered him as little as the geodetic tablet. Presently, in one of his waking intervals, he espied a half-smoked cigar stump lying on the pavement about a BIRTH OF A FASHION PLATE. yard from the bench. For a moment he surveyed it calmly, dispassionately, Modern Art a Libel on Women's Taste almost judicially. Then he executed a remarkably strategic movement. Without stirring the upper portion of his body, he slowly uncrossed his legs, lowered his foot accurately and deliberately over the treasure trove, gripped it in a convulsive clutch of his toes. reversed the motion, raised his foot, carrying with it the stump, crossed his legs, languidly stretched forth his hand and secured his prize. A gouty club man, who was out for a constitutional, and who had watched the proceeding from another bench, was lost in admiration. "Why, the man is a wonder!" he exclaimed to a friend. "There is something magnificent, almost super-The gouty club man arose with difficulty, hobbled down the walk, and, drawing a silver match case from

# GRANITE BASEBALL.

It Marks the Grave of William A. Hulbert, Once President of the

The grave of William A. Hulbert in Graceland cemetery, Chicago, is perhaps the only one in the world which is marked with a tombstone in the shape of a baseball. Mr. Hulbert was the president of the National league, and when he died in 1882 some of his old as-



THE BASEBALL MONUMENT.

sociates set about to show their love and respect for him, and the result was the monument in Graceland.

The baseball is made of red granite, about 20 inches in diameter, showing the seams as they appear upon one of | is punishable by absolute starvation for the balls used in regulation games. Across the top appears in raised let- other serious sins call for four days' ters: "W. A. Hulbert, President Nation- starvation for one week, three days" in the old league-Boston, Providence, and one day's starvation in the fourth Worcester, Troy - and on the other week, those of the other four-Chicago, Cleveland, Buffalo, Detroit.

marble, upon which appears the name, best behaved and most truthful people together with the date of birth, October | in the world. 23, 1832, and the date of death, April 10,

Seems to Be Impregnable. A rotating turret for harbor defense

which, it is stated, possesses every essential of absolute impregnability is being made under government direction. This turret promises to play an important part in future naval and land warfare. It is dome-shaped, armorare of east iron specially hardened, held with steel keys, and is in some places five feet thick. A single plate weighs 100 tons. Total weight of complete tur-ret, 2,000 tons. It has been tested by European naval officials and it is declared to be unassailable and terribly destructive in case of attack.

#### A WORLD OF TROUBLE.

What Gave the Economical Apartment House Manager a Case

kny, is owned by an out-of-town cap- willing to go into the fields receive two italist, who is not the most generous the flat being conducted upon the most economical lines. The manager was not happy, however fair he may have appeared to the eye, and he heave! a long-drawn sigh as a friend approached and greeted him, says the good wages, but still thousands of acres Chicago Chronicle.

"What's wrong?" inquired the new-

"Oh, we've all got our troubles," was the vague and lugubrious reply.

"You oughtn't to have any." "But I have, just the same."

"What, for instance?"

"Well, I'm worried sick beenuse I haven't got an elevator boy." "There shouldn't be any difficulty in removing that trouble, I should say."

"There is. I've tried 40 and can't get one to suit." "You must be very hard to please." "It isn't that," sighed the manager. "I'm all right, but it's this way. The old man insists on having the elevator Uniforms cost money, and when the last boy retired he left a brand-new uniform, and the old man won't get another. That's the rub. I can find plenty of boys of sufficient intelligence. ample experience, industrious habits, good moral character and fine address, but I'll be darned if I can get one that the uniform will fit, and there you have it. Now what the dickens am I to do? Ain't that enough trouble for any one

Which All True Men Must Resent.

Ah! for the good old times when artists, real artists, could be persuaded to design a costume. One of the principal items of expense to a lady of old italy used to be the "retainer" she paid to a Da Vinci, a Bramante, or some other artist of note, to furnish her with a design for her court and other dresses of ceremony, says Self-Culture.

To-day some one who can draw is one. given an idea by a costumer-that is, by some one who has made or cut dresses under some other costumer's tetelage. Neither one has studied or cares aught | may be precipitate and prove speedily natural in such laziness as that. He has elevated it to an art, to a-but hold, it would be a thousand pities if he were tumers; what have they to do with disturbed for a match. I must offer such details? A wonderful assemblage of ideas is the result, a confection in silks, satins, chiffons and laces. These ideas and materials are beautifully and

a fashion plate is born, with the name of the great designer in the left-hand corner, the password, the hall mark! Every woman, or rather, nearly every woman, studies it, admires it, and, be she lean or fat, tall or short, her next dress must be like that. Pehchance her dressmaker has not signed her soul away entirely and protests feebly that that special style is not adapted to her patron's particular figure; but for her effrontery she may lose a customer. That dress has to be made in that way and in none other.

# A MORAL TRIBE.

Among the Carlbs of Central America All Sins Are Punished by Starvation.

In the whole wide world there is not a class of people to be found who inflict severer punishment upon themselves than the Caribs of Central America. Their religion, which is one of the most peculiar kind, demands selfpunishment for sins intentionally or unintentionally committed, says Pear-

son's Weekly.

starvation and close confinement. If the sin be in the form of a lie, no matter whether it is calculated to injure another or not, the sinner goes without either food or drink for three days, at the end of which it is believed that the offender has paid the

penalty for his or her sin. Blaspheming and using bad language two days. Assault, drunkenness and al League, P. B. B. C., 1876, 1882." On starvation for the second week, and one side appear the names of four clubs two days' starvation for the third week,

All sins are punished with starvation. For that reason crime is very low Also there is a headstone of white among the Caribs, who are among the

Orientalism in New Mexico.

"In New Mexico," says the secretary of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church, "one finds real orientalism, it being possible to trace back many customs of the people to the Moors in Spain. Even the plazas, with the women on the house tops, their black shawls covering part of their faces, remind one of some of plated and turns around. The plates | the Mahometan cities of Syria. In the Taos valley there are about 1,300 people. among whom the missionaries are la-

# Elephants' Tusks.

they are generally restricted to the eriminal docket.

Immense Crops.

Women are working in the harvest fields of Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, southern Minnesota and South Dakota, not because they are driven to work of this kind by sheer necessity, but be-The manager of the apartment house, cause the harvests are great and the male laborers are few and high-priced. way of his establishment, which, by the try districts and small towns who are dollars a day. The mothers, wives, sisters and sweethearts of the farmers are helping with a will; aged people and young children are welcome to take a hand-any sort of labor that of grain are being neglected. Aside from the immensity of the crops, says a Chicago paper, two other factors have contributed toward bringing about a shortage in the supply of farm labor. Great rallway enterprises are being prosecuted throughout the northwest and these have well-nigh drained the usual surplue supply of workers. Again, this is the wettest harvest that the northwest has known for years. While the rains were fervently praved for and welcomed, and while they are still of inestimable value throughout a large section of the corn belt, they are seriously interfering/ with the gatherboy wear a uniform and he furnishes it. | ing of the ripened crops. This means doubling the work while the sun shines. The small-grain crop has been seriously damaged, but the yield is so bountiful that the loss will hardly be felt.

In making their monthly inspection of the books a queer assortment of articles was found by the librarians of one of the big public libraries in Philadelphia. Among the articles were all kinds of bills-grocery bills, gas bills, and the like; hairpins and hair ornaments of every description, design and material; love letters galore, locks of hair, bits of lace, dress samples and watch chain charms; pen and ink, peneil and crayon sketches; postal orders and postage stamps. There were many photographs, besides an insurance polley. The latter was claimed by the owner. Another queer use is made of the books. One enterprising medicine firm had an agent visit the library once, and under the pretence of looking at the books slipped a circular in each

The average duration of yellow fever is a week, but in graver cases the attack fatal. There is usually an initial chill, headache, pains in the back and limbs and slight increase of temperature. In exceptional cases the thermometer in the mouth will register from 100 to 105 degrees, as in other fevers, but more often the body heat is but little elevated and in some cases is lowered. After a few days-two or three-the temperature subsides and the symptoms abate. The patient may consider himself well, and, indeed, in abortive joined his friend; "he is a record-break-er. He is the lazlest man in the world!"

This drawing being reproduced upon cases, the disease terminates at that thousands and thousands of sheets, lo! point. In most instances, however, a recrudescence follows and may be accompanied by delirium and black vomit.

> Everybody is laughing in New York at the success of a rogue in swindling 40 lawyers. His mode of operating was to retain lawyers to prosecute railroad companies for fictitious personal injuries, agreeing to divide the proceeds, and on the strength of such retainer to borrow small sums of money. Cheating a lawyer is regarded as a remarkable feat of ingenuity, much as the Yorkshire wagoner regarded the feat of Nicholas Nickleby, when a scholar, in thrashing a schoolmaster who was famous for flogging his pupils. The honest wagoner gave Nicholas a guinea in token of admiration for his exploit.

The city of Philadelphia will present to the city of Paris a statue of Benjamin Franklin during the exposition next year. It is proposed to raise the money and begin work as soon as possible, so that the statue can be shipped to The punishment takes the form of | Paris in time to unveil it during the exposition. It is intended to locate the statue at Passy, where Franklin resided when he was minister to France, over 100 years ago. Passy, then a suburb, is now in the center of the exposition grounds. The statue will be a replica of the one in Philadelphia, which cost \$14,000.

> The Kansas girls who are forming clubs which pledge the members "never to marry a young man unless he served with the famous Twentieth Kansas," Funston's regiment, are likely to place themselves in a very embarrassing position. Suppose, for instance, asks the Chicago Inter Ocean, the heroes on returning should decide to marry girls only who had refused to join such silly clubs! And the worst of it is this is by no means an unlikely supposition.

> That eminent Englishman by adoption, W. W. Astor, will not withdraw his interests in the United States, amounting to \$100,000,000. Like many another Briton, he is satisfied with America for investments.

> An eastern exchange reports that a Whitingham (Vt.) man gave a sugar on snow party a few days ago. The snow was preserved by piling shavings on a big drift in the early winter.

A recent report says the poorhouses In the African elephant both sexes | in 45 Kansas counties are empty, and have Ivory tusks, while in the Asiatic in 37 counties there is not a case on the